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SITUATION

1. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION WITH PREMIER CHIANG CHING-KUO
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT PRIVATE LUNCHEON I DISCUSSED BRIEFLY
THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE SITUATION.

2. I TOLD CCK THAT ALTHOUGH I HAD ONCE BEEN FAIRLY FAMILIAR WITH
THE ACTIVITIES AND THE ACTORS IN THAT SITUATION, I WAS NO LONGER
WELL INFORMED. I FELT OBLIGED TO SAY, HOWEVER, ESPECIALLY AFTER
BEING REMINDED IN WASHINGTON OF THE GRAVE CONCERN THERE, THAT ANY
INVOLVEMENT OF ANY GROC OFFICIALS OR REPRESENTATIVES IN NARCOTICS
BUSINESS WOULD BE VERY DAMAGING TO THIS COUNTRY'S IMAGE. THE
PREMIER SAID THAT THE CONNECTION OF THE GROC WITH INDIVIDUALS
WHO MAY HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN THAT KIND OF ACTIVITY HAD LONG SINCE
BEEN TERMINATED; HE WOULD ACT PROMPTLY IF HE LEARNED OF ANY OF HIS
OFFICIALS DEALING IN NARCOTICS.
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